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**Subject:** RE: South Jersey Ice  
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Let me discuss this with EPA council first before you forward it.

Thanks

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Thanks Dwayne,

I believe that the owner's attorney needs to be aware of this , so unless there are no objections I will forward your email to him.

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Ps.

I may be wrong on this, but at this time I suspect that EPA will be responsible for securing and

decommissioning the refrigeration system, including the installation of the emergency scrubber system, and I'll prepare our ERRS contractor accordingly.

Sent from my iPad

On Jun 28, 2016, at 7:04 PM, Harrington, Dwayne <[Harrington.Dwayne@epa.gov](mailto:Harrington.Dwayne@epa.gov)> wrote:

Update for 6/18/16:

EPA (Harrington & Banner) met on site this morning with the facility's engineering contractor, EPA ERRS and engineering sub-contractors, the City of Vineland's engineering contractor, and representatives from the City of Vineland and Cumberland County Health Department.

The facility's engineering contractor did not disagree that the state of the refrigeration system is in a very serious state of disrepair and immediate steps are necessary to protect the surrounding community and workers. EPA's engineering contractor identified numerous additional items of immediate, serious concern. Of particular concern was the condition and location of pressure relief discharge vents relative to the immediate homes and surrounding community. There are also concerns about mechanical contractors being able to perform work directly on the outdoor components of the system given its state of deterioration. It is also suspected that the overall system contains a significantly larger volume of anhydrous ammonia, possibly in excess of 10,000 – 12,000 lbs, which will significantly affect potential off-site release impact. The facility may also be covered by EPA RMP and NJ TCPA regulations.

It was agreed that an emergency aqueous scrubber system can be directly installed to the emergency relief vent system to prevent an off-site impact to the surrounding neighborhood. The facility has requested a 45 day extension to remove product from the facility prior to beginning planning the decommissioning of the system and a facility closure plan. EPA informed the facility that the immediate concern is the installation of the emergency scrubber, after which the further system mitigation activities and timetables will be discussed. The facility owner's engineer is preparing construction specifications for the emergency scrubber system to be provided as soon as possible to EPA for review by our engineering contractors.

EPA, the Vineland Solicitor, and the Vineland Fire Chief met with the Mayor of Vineland and briefed him on the conditions at the facility and the current plans to address them. The City of Vineland will begin a community outreach and notification system to educate and prepare messages for residents for emergency warning and notification to take appropriate protective actions in the event of ammonia release from the facility. It was decided that a general press notification was not advisable in this situation, and that a focused neighborhood outreach would be more appropriate by the Vineland Fire Department. The City of Vineland will be the main point of public contact for public information.

EPA will determine if an Order or other enforcement action is necessary to ensure actions are taken immediately by the facility to ensure public safety.

It was observed during the inspection that product is being actively removed from the facility.